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Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative
and Budgetary Questions

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has received the Secretary-General's report on the financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II) (A/49/433 and Corr.1).
2. In that report, the Secretary-General requested that the General Assembly appropriate the amount of \$8,986,700 gross (\$8,591,200 net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the four-month period from 1 June to 30 September 1994, inclusive of \$8,394,800 gross (\$7,988,000 net) already authorized and assessed under the terms of General Assembly resolution 48/241. The Advisory Committee recommends appropriation of the amount requested.
3. The Secretary-General has also requested assessment of an additional amount of \$591,900 gross (\$603,200 net) for the mandate period from 1 June to 30 September 1994, taking into consideration the amount already assessed. Pending its consideration of the financial performance report for the period 1 June to 30 September 1994, the Advisory Committee does not recommend that this additional amount be assessed at the present time.
4. By its resolution 952 (1994) of 27 October 1994, the Security Council decided to extend the mandate of UNAVEM II from 1 October until 8 December 1994. By the same resolution, the Council also authorized the restoration of the strength of UNAVEM II to its previous level of 350 military observers and 126 police observers with an appropriate number of international and local staff, with their deployment being subject to the receipt of a report from the Secretary-General that a peace agreement has been initialled and that an effective cease-fire was in place. In his letter of 7 December 1994 (S/1994/1395) addressed to the President of the Security Council, the Secretary-General confirmed that the cease-fire was generally holding and that



the parties in Angola had informed him that they were reasonably satisfied with the status of the cease-fire. For this period i.e. 1 October to 8 December 1994, the Secretary-General, as indicated in his report (A/49/433), has estimated the cost of maintaining UNAVEM II at its existing strength to be \$1,830,100 gross (\$1,723,900 net) per month. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee recommends appropriation and assessment of \$4,112,400 gross (\$3,872,400 net) for the period 1 October to 8 December 1994.

5. By its resolution 966 (1994) of 8 December 1994, the Security Council decided to extend the mandate of UNAVEM II until 8 February 1995. By the same resolution, the Security Council welcomed the Secretary-General's decision conveyed in his letter of 7 December 1994 (S/1994/1395) to proceed with the restoration of the strength of UNAVEM II to its previous level, i.e. 350 military observers and 126 police observers with an appropriate number of international and local staff.

6. The Advisory Committee notes from the Secretary-General's report of 4 December 1994 (S/1994/1376) his intention to submit, before 31 January 1995, recommendations to the Security Council on the possible mandate for a new United Nations operation in Angola. The Advisory Committee understands that these recommendations envisage an overall expanded scope and role for the Mission.

7. By a letter dated 13 December 1994 addressed to the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, the Controller indicated, that pending a detailed report to the General Assembly on the financing of the Mission, it was now estimated that for the period 9 December 1994 to 8 February 1995 an amount of \$7,732,400 gross (\$7,422,900 net) would be required to meet the immediate requirements of the Mission; these requirements would provide for the start-up and immediate needs for the gradual restoration of UNAVEM II strength to its previous level as well as the maintenance of its existing strength. The Advisory Committee in its reply has authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in an amount not to exceed \$7,732,400 gross (\$7,422,900 net) for the period from 9 December 1994 to 8 February 1995 under the terms of General Assembly resolution 48/229 on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses and an addition of \$2.2 million under the same resolution for the period from 9 February to 28 February 1994 subject to the renewal of the mandate by the Security Council and to allow the Advisory Committee and the General Assembly to consider the requirements of the Mission.
